

Utah's Legislators Back to School

-a year round civic education program-

Supplemental Materials from NCSL

Legislators:

Talking Points Card. This laminated card provides messages and suggested classroom activities for all grade levels.

Parents or College Students:



Your Ideas Count! Representative Democracy and You. This booklet, **geared for adults**, challenges readers to think about how they feel about our system of government and how representative democracy relates to them. This booklet is also appropriate for seniors in high school.

High School:



Your Ideas Count! inTime magazine. Published by Time magazine for **high school students**, explores myths and realities about American democracy and challenges students to get involved. Copies on hand, no longer printed.



Your Ideas Count! Questions and Answers about Representative Democracy Explains to **younger high school** students that disagreement is a natural part of the legislative process, that debate, negotiation and compromise are necessary, and that students' chances of being heard are better when they join with a group of people who share their views. (Also available in Spanish) Copies on hand, no longer printed.

Middle/Junior High School:



You Rule! Tells young people in **middle and jr. high school** that citizens really do rule in our system of democracy; that students can have a voice and that government does impact our lives.



You Rule! Follows four students as they discover how, in American democracy, citizens really do rule and young people have a voice. Great DVD for **middle and jr. high school students**!

Elementary School:



Your Ideas Count!, TFK Extra! Tells **4th - 6th graders** about representative democracy, how laws affect their lives and shows them that legislators are real people.



Citizen Brain. This 15-minute, fun-filled video with live action and animation is geared for **4th - 6th graders**.



Your Ideas Count! TFK Extra! This fun-filled supplement for **2nd - 3rd graders**, helps them understand some very basic ideas about America's system of government.

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